# The Monotone Convergence Theorem and a First Look at Infinite Series

Note 1

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A sequence  $(a_n)$  is {{c2} increasing} if {{c1}  $a_{n+1} \ge a_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Note 2

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A sequence  $(a_n)$  is {{c2::decreasing}} if {{c1::}} a\_{n+1} \le a\_n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbf{N}.

Note 3

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A sequence  $(a_n)$  is <code>{c2::monotone}{}</code> if <code>{{c1::it}}</code> is either increasing or decreasing.}

Note 4

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If a sequence is  $\{(c3), monotone\}$  and  $\{(c2), bounded,\}\}$  then  $\{(c1), it converges.\}$ 

Note 5

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If a sequence is monotone and bounded, then it converges.

 ${\it w\{\{c1::}Monotone\ Convergence\ Theorem\}\}} \\$ 

Note 6

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Monotone Convergence Theorem?

The limit equals to  $\sup \{a_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ 

Note 7

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Let  $\{(c): (a_n) \text{ be a sequence.}\}$   $\{(c): An \text{ infinite series}\}$  is  $\{(c): a \text{ formal expression of the form}\}$ 

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \cdots.$$

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Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series. We define the corresponding (c2::sequence of partial sums) by ((c1::

$$m \mapsto a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_m$$
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## Note 9

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Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}a_n$  be a series. ((c2::The sequence of partial sums)) is usually denoted ((c1:: $(s_m)$ .))

## Note 10

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Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series. We say that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges to  $A_n$  the sequence of partial sums converges to  $A_n$ 

## Note 11

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Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series. If  $\{\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ converges to } A_n\}\}$  we write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = A.$$

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## Note 12

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Does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converge?

Yes.

## Note 13

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 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges. What is the key idea in the proof?

$$\frac{1}{n^2} \le \frac{1}{n(n-1)}.$$

## Note 14

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Does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  converge?

No.

Note 15

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 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  diverges. What is the key idea in the proof?

Find a lower bound using powers of two.

Note 16

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 $\{\{c^2:: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}\}\}\$  is called  $\{\{c^1: \text{the harmonic series.}\}\}$ 

Note 17

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Let  $(a_n)$  be (c5:a decreasing sequence) and (c4: $a_n \geq 0$ .) Then

$$\max_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ converges} \pmod{\infty} \iff \max_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n a_{2^n} \text{ converges}.$$

«{{c6::Cauchy Condensation Test}}»

Note 18

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Let  $(a_n)$  be a decreasing sequence and  $a_n \leq 0$ . Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ converges } \iff \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n a_{2^n} \text{ converges.}$$

What is the key idea in the proof?

Group the element of a partial sum in chunks of size  $2^m$ .

Note 19

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The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$  ((c2) converges)) ((c3) if and only if)) ((c1) p>1.))

Note 20

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The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$  converges if and only if p > 1. What is the key idea in the proof?

The Cauchy Condensation Test and the convergence of geometric series.

## **Properties of Infinite Series**

## Note 1

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Let  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}a_k=A$  and  $c\in\mathbf{R}.$  Under which condition does

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k$$

converge?

Always.

## Note 2

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If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $c \in \mathbf{R}$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k = \{\{c\}: cA\}\}$ .

## Note 3

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Let  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = B$ . Under which condition does

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k + b_k$$

converge?

Always.

## Note 4

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If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = B$ , then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k + b_k = \{\{\text{clu}A + B.\}\}$$

## Note 5

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The series  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k$  (165::converges) (164: if and only if,)) given (163::  $\epsilon>0$ ,)) there exists (162::an  $N\in {\bf N}$ )) such that whenever (162:: $n>m\geq N$ )) it follows that (161::

$$|a_{m+1} + \dots + a_n| < \epsilon.$$

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The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges if and only if, given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that whenever  $n > m \ge N$  it follows that

$$|a_{m+1} + \dots + a_n| < \epsilon.$$

«{{c1::Cauchy Criterion}}»

## Note 7

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Cauchy Criterion for Series?

Cauchy Criterion for the sequence of partial sums.

## Note 8

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If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  {{c2=converges,}} then {{c1=}} $(a_k) o 0$ .}

## Note 9

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If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges, then  $(a_k) \to 0$ . What is the key idea in the proof?

Apply the Cauchy Criterion with n = m + 1.

## Note 10

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Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying (c3:0  $\leq a_k \leq b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .) If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$  (c1: $b_k$ ) (c2:converges,) then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$  (c1: $a_k$ ) (c2:converges.)

## Note 11

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Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \le a_k \le b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$  ((c1:: $a_k$ )) ((c2::diverges,)) then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$  ((c1:: $b_k$ )) ((c2::diverges.))

Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \le a_k \le b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  converges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges.

«[{c1::Comparison Test]}»

## Note 13

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Comparison Test for Series?

Use the Cauchy Criterion explicitly.

## Note 14

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What sequences are considered in the Limit Comparison Test?

Positive and one containing no zeros.

## Note 15

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Which limit is considered in the Limit Comparison Test?

The limit of the ratio of corresponding terms.

## Note 16

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Which cases exist on the Limit Comparison Test?

• The limit is finite or is nonzero.

#### Note 17

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What can we say from the Limit Comparison Test if the limit is finite?

The denominator's series convergence implies that of the numerator.

What can we say from the Limit Comparison Test if the limit is nonzero?

The numerator's series convergence implies that of the denominator.

## Note 19

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What can we say from the Limit Comparison Test if the limit is finite and nonzero?

The two series's convergences are equivalent.

### Note 20

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What can we say from the Limit Comparison Test if the limit does not exist?

Nothing.

## Note 21

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Limit Comparison Test (finite limit)?

The set of ratios is bounded above + the Comparison Test.

#### Note 22

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Limit Comparison Test (nonzero limit)?

Swap the numerator and the denominator.

#### Note 23

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Statements about (carconvergence) of sequences and series are immune to (carchanges in some finite number of initial terms.)

A series is called ((c2::geometric)) if it is of the form ((c1::

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k.$$

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## Note 25

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The series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k$  ([C2:] converges]) ([C3:] if and only if)) ([C1:] |r| < 1.))

## Note 26

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Given |r| < 1,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = \{\{\text{cli}: \frac{a}{1-r}.\}\}$$

## Note 27

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Given |r| < 1,  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = \frac{a}{1-r}$ . What is the key idea in the proof?

Rewrite partial sums.

## Note 28

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If ((c2): the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|$  converges, () then ((c1):  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges.

«{{c3::Absolute Convergence Test}}»

## Note 29

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Absolute Convergence Test?

The Cauchy Criterion and the Triangle Inequality.

Let  $(a_k)$  be (c4:a decreasing sequence)) and (c3: $(a_k) o 0$ .)) Then (c2:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k a_k$$

}} {{c1::converges.}}

## Note 31

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Let  $(a_k)$  be a decreasing sequence and  $(a_k) \to 0$ . Then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k a_k$$

converges.

«{{c1::Alternating Series Test}}»

## Note 32

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{{cl::An alternating series}} is a series of the form {{c2::

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k a_k,$$

)} where {{c3::all  $a_k > 0.$ }}

## Note 33

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Alternating Series Test?

The Cauchy criterion for the sequence of partial sums.

## Note 34

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Which intervals are considered in the proof of the Alternating Series Test?

Those formed by successive partial sums.

Note 35

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In the proof of the Alternating Series Test, how to you choose  $\Delta_{s_m,s_{m+1}}$ , given  $\epsilon>0$ ?

So that its length is less then  $\epsilon$ .

Note 36

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In the proof of the Alternating Series Test, what do you need to show about an interval  $\Delta_{s_m,s_{m+1}}$ ?

It contains all of the following partial sums.

Note 37

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We say  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}a_k$  (converges absolutely,)) if (c1= $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}|a_k|$  converges.

Note 38

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We say  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  (converges conditionally,)) if (converges and does not converge absolutely.)

Note 39

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A series  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k$  is said to be (compositive) if (com $a_k \geq 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ .)

Note 40

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Any ((c2: positive)) convergent series must ((c1: converge absolutely.

Note 41

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May a positive series diverge?

Only to  $+\infty$ .

Note 42

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A  $\{\{c\}\}$  positive  $\{c\}$  series converges  $\{c\}$  if and only if  $\{c\}$  the sequence of partial sums  $(s_n)$  is bounded.

Note 43

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Let  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k$  be a series and  $\{\{c^2\}: \mathbf{N} \to \mathbf{N} \text{ be 1--1 and onto.}\}$   $\{\{c^2\}: \mathbf{N} \to \mathbf{N} \text{ be 1--1 and onto.}\}$  The series  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty a_{f(k)}$  is called  $\{\{c^2\}: \mathbf{a} \text{ rearrangement of } \sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k.\}$ 

Note 44

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If a series (c2::converges absolutely,)) then (c3::any rearrangement of this series)) (c1::converges to the same limit.))

Note 45

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. What is the key idea in the proof?

Substitute the original series' initial terms for the rearrangement's partial sum.

Note 46

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, how many of the original series' initial terms are substituted from the rearrangement's partial sum?

So as to use the definition of convergence and the Cauchy Criterion for absolute convergence.

If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, how many of the rearrangement's terms are taken for the partial sum?

So as to contain the initial terms of the original sequence.

### Note 48

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof we denote  $\{can s_n\}$  to be  $\{can the original series' partial sum.\}$ 

Note 49

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof we denote (c2: $t_n$ ) to be (c1:the rearrangement' partial sum.)

Note 50

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, what do we show about  $t_m - s_N$ ?

 $|t_m - s_N| < \varepsilon$ 

## Note 51

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, why is it that  $|t_m-s_N|<\varepsilon$ ?

Due to the Cauchy Criterion.

If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, how do you show  $|t_m-A|<\varepsilon$ ?

 $|t_m-s_N+s_N-A|$  and the triangle inequality.